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Sir:

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Attached are copies of six (6) Japanese Patent documents cited within the Japanese Office Action. Any relevance of the foreign-language documents can be gleaned from the attached English-language Abstracts. The publications are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

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